dern Foods India Limited, a public sector unit; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO). (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Implementation of Hullers Scheme

4085. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY:

SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme to modernise the rice mills of the country has been launched;

(b) if so, the names of rice mills, State and Union Territory-wise modernised till November, 1992 alongwith the amount of expenditure incurred on each such mill;

(c) whether a scheme on modernisation of single Hullers has been implemented in all the States with particular reference to Uttar Pradesh;

(d) if so, the names of these Hullers covered under the scheme as on November, 1992 with financial expenditure incurred on each;

(e) what are the objectives of the scheme and whether the scheme has yielded and expected results;

(f) if so, details thereof and if not, reasons therefor; and

(g) what steps are being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI Huller rice mills.

Sir. However, Government has a scheme for modernisation of single huller rice mills.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) A scheme on modernisation of single Hulless has been implemented in the states of Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Orissa, Maharashtra, Karnataka and Uttar Pradesh.

(d) Under the scheme, the number of huller rice mills which have been modernised are as follows:—

1.	Uttar Pradesh	—140
2.	Andhra Pradesh	—321
3.	Tamil Nadu	—191
4.	West Bengal	105
5.	Orissa	—15
6.	Maharashtra	—151
7.	Karnataka	—NIL

An amount of Rs. 20000|- to Rs. 25,000|- is incurred on modernisation of each single Huller rice mill out of which Government of India provides assistance of Rs. 10,000|- per beneficiary.

(e) and (f) The objective of the scheme is to obtain better quality and higher yield of rice with less percentage of brokens, besides better by-products i.e. husk and bran, which can be used as energy source and for extraction of oils, respectively. Consequently, the availability of rice bran for extraction of oil, has increased from 1.87 lakh tonnes in 1970-71 to 28.09 lakh tonnes in 1991-1992;

(g) Does not arise.

Status of food inodiation

4086. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) What is the present status of food inodiation in the country indica-

ting the item cleared and the actual food inodiated for internal use and exports, separately;

(b) what are the names of the countries to which exports were made; and

(c) whether Government are aware that the sales to super markets in U.K., U.S.A. and Holland have dropped dramatically as mentioned in London Food Commission Magazine, if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) Though Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has cleared irradiation of onion, spices and frozen sea food for export presently no food item for export is irridiated. As regards clearance of irradiated food for domestic consumption, the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare have published draft rules under PFA on food irradiation for inviting public comments.

(c) No authentic information is available in this regard.

Review of policy of marine fisheries

4087. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently reviewed the policy of marine fisheries bringing therein suitable changes for proper exploitation of marine fisheries;

(b) if so, what are the details of the new policy particularly with regard to joint ventures in the field of marine fisheries; and

(c) what are the names of the companies presently operating in marine fisheries and what is their annual catch in terms of quantity and value?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Salient features of Joint Ventures, Leasing and Test Fishing Policy announced in March 1991 are furnished at Statement (*See* below).

(c) Marine fisheries consists of coastal and deep sea fishing. In Coastal fishing 34,571 mechanised boats and 2,06,171 country craft are operating. In deep sea fishing 184 Indian owned vessels are under operation and out of valid charter permits for 63 vessels; about 26 are under operation on any day. However the actual number of boats/ vessels actually fishing at any given moment of time; varies considerably and from day to day It is therefore, difficult to furnish their names and other details. However, the quantity of marine products exported frof Indian during the last three years are given below.

Year	Quantity of Export (in tonnes)	Value (in Rs. crores)
1989 90	110,843	634.99
1990 91	139,419	893.37
1991 92	171,820	1375.89